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MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2,  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
DIRECTOR OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE  
DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE,  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

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3. The intent of the foregoing is to describe the type of information, not now received, which this Agency is desirous of receiving in the future. The Agency desires to continue receiving the material you already transmit, which is generally in the category of so-called "intelligence information."

4. The general concept imparted by this memorandum will be supplemented from time to time by specific statements of requirements concerning particular events, developments, etc.

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